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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Masahiro FUKUDA

Application No.: 09/977,376

Confirmation No.: 3054

Filed: October 16, 2001

Art Unit: 2614

For: OUTPUT INFORMATION CONTROL

DEVICE AND OUTPUT INFORMATION

CONTROL METHOD

Examiner: P. M. Natnael

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

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MS Amendment Commissioner for P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 223						
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.						
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